

Articles, *will* and *going to*

*I can use articles and talk about plans and predictions.*

## 1 Read the dialogue. Tick the correct answers.

- Paddy What are you doing at <sup>1</sup> weekend?  
 Ellie I'm going caving. There's <sup>2</sup> great place for it in the mountains near my uncle's house.  
 Paddy It's <sup>3</sup> dangerous hobby, isn't it?  
 Ellie Not really. My uncle is <sup>4</sup> rock climbing instructor. He says <sup>5</sup> caving is safer than <sup>6</sup> climbing.  
 Paddy I'd love to learn how to climb.  
 Ellie My uncle could teach you, but he charges £25 <sup>7</sup> hour.  
 Paddy I can't afford that. But I think there's <sup>8</sup> indoor climbing wall in town. I could practise there.

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2 Complete the text with *a / an, the*, or no article (—).

This man is inside <sup>1</sup> cave. He's <sup>2</sup> professional caver, but he's still feeling nervous. Why? Because <sup>3</sup> cave is much bigger than it looks. In fact, it's <sup>4</sup> deepest cave in the world. It's called <sup>5</sup> Krubera Cave, and it's near <sup>6</sup> Black Sea. It is <sup>7</sup> only cave on Earth that is more than 2 km deep. Caves like this are fascinating places for <sup>8</sup> explorers because there are always new parts to discover. In 2005, <sup>9</sup> Ukrainian caver called Alexander Klimchouk organised <sup>10</sup> expedition into the cave. <sup>11</sup> expedition involved 56 people and went deeper than 2 km. In 2012, a Ukrainian diver called Gennady Samokhin went even deeper by diving down through the muddy water at <sup>12</sup> bottom.

## 3 Circle the ending that is more natural.

- 1 'There's somebody at the door.' 'OK,  
 a I'm going to answer it.'  
 b I'll answer it.'  
 2 'These boxes are too heavy. Look out —  
 a I'm going to drop them!'  
 b I'll drop them!'  
 3 'Would you like something to drink?' 'Yes,  
 a I'm going to have a glass of water, please.'  
 b I'll have a glass of water, please.'  
 4 'Show me your picture. I promise  
 a I'm not going to laugh.'  
 b I won't laugh.'  
 5 'What are your plans for the afternoon?'  
 a 'I'll stay in and watch TV.'  
 b 'I'm going to stay in and watch TV.'  
 6 'We're going to the Caribbean this year.  
 a It will be my first visit.'  
 b It's going to be my first visit.'  
 7 'I've forgotten my pencil case.' 'Don't worry,  
 a I'll lend you a pen.'  
 b I'm going to lend you a pen.'  
 8 'That's a fantastic pass!  
 a They'll score a goal!'  
 b They're going to score a goal!'  
 9 'I'm going to the cinema tonight.' 'Really?'  
 a What will you see?'  
 b What are you going to see?'

4 Complete the dialogue with the correct form of *will* or *going to* and the verbs in brackets.

- Jack I <sup>1</sup> (go) ice skating on Saturday evening with Luke. Would you like to come?  
 Annie Yes, please. Where <sup>2</sup> (you / meet)? At the ice rink?  
 Jack No, at the bus stop near my house.  
 Annie I live really near to the ice rink, so I <sup>3</sup> (see) you there. What time?  
 Jack Six o'clock in the evening. I think it <sup>4</sup> (be) quite busy.  
 Annie Yes, definitely. It's more expensive on Saturday evenings, isn't it?  
 Jack Don't worry. I <sup>5</sup> (get) a ticket for you. I've got some vouchers, so it <sup>6</sup> (not cost) too much.  
 Annie Thanks! I <sup>7</sup> (see) you on Saturday, then.  
 Jack At six o'clock.  
 Annie I <sup>8</sup> (not be) late, I promise.

